

3d 472

## CLASSIFICATION SHEET

COUNTRY	East Germany	25X1	REPORT
TOPIC	Military Information from Neuruppin	25X1	
EVALUATION	25X1	CLAIM RETAINED	
DATE OF CONTENT		25X1	
DATE OBTAINED		PREPARED	20 November 1953
REFERENCES			
PAGES	3	ENCLOSURES (NO. & FILED)	
REMARKS			
25X1			
25X1			
<p>1. On 23 October 1953, the quarters of Unit Brycov in the Fridericus Kaserne in Neuruppin were occupied by about 150 officers and 1,200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank insignia. On 25 October, Shed No 1, which belonged to the unit, [redacted] and sheds Nos 2, 3 and 4, also belonging to [redacted] the unit, [redacted] 25X1 25X1</p> <p>[redacted] Fifty per cent of the ground floor of Building No 2 was occupied. It was a headquarters, while the other rooms, as well as Building No 3 and part of Building No 4, were occupied by troops. Soldiers stated that about 20 per cent of the troops had completed their term of service and were to be discharged and sent to the USSR within four weeks.</p> <p>2. On 9 October, the quarters of Unit Bulkovay in the Fridericus Kaserne were occupied by about 1,000 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank and artillery insignia. The unit was quartered in two buildings. Five 82-mm mortars were in a shed, [redacted] which belonged to the [redacted] unit. [redacted] 25X1 25X1</p> <p>25X1</p> <p>3. On 9 October, the quarters of Unit Kadelenkov in the Fridericus Kaserne were occupied beyond capacity by about 500 troops. Contrary to other quarters, bunks were arranged in tiers. Troops seen in the quartering area wore red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank and artillery insignia. [redacted]</p>			

CLASSIFICATION SHEET

SECRET

- 2 -



25X1

4. On 21 October, the former high school for girls was occupied to capacity by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with tank and artillery insignia; and black-bordered black epaulets. 25X1 25X1

- 25X1  5. At about 9:50 a.m. on 1 November, a shipment of 3 flatcars with 3 newly painted T-34/85 tanks [REDACTED] was seen in the middle of a freight train, which passed through the Freuden railroad station, proceeding toward Neuruppin.<sup>2</sup> 25X1

6. On 1 November, the Friedericus Kaserne was heavily occupied. About 95 percent of the windows of the quarters were lighted after nightfall. Sentries observed wore red-bordered black epaulets.

7. On 1 November, the Friedrich Franz Kaserne was heavily occupied, except for one building. Sentries seen there wore red-bordered black epaulets. About 95 percent of the windows of the buildings were lighted after nightfall. Between 25 and 31 October, about 60 to 70 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets were almost daily seen at physical training in the early morning. On 31 October, about 260 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, [REDACTED] driving school students, entered the installation, coming from the former high school for girls. 25X1

8. On 1 November, the Zee Kaserne was occupied [below] capacity. About 95 percent of the windows of the west section and about 65 percent of the windows of the east section were lighted at dusk. Sentries observed wore red-bordered black epaulets. On 31 October, the officers' billets on Karl Liebknecht Strasse opposite the installation were heavily occupied and about 95 percent of the windows were lighted after sunset. On 27 October, about 20 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets received instruction on 2 x 120-mm mortars at the small drill field on Trenkmannstrasse.

9. On 1 November, the former post hospital was only lightly occupied and about 25 percent lighted after nightfall. Sentries seen there wore red-bordered black epaulets.

10. On 1 November, about 80 percent of the windows of the former high school for girls were lighted after nightfall. The building was guarded by a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Between 25 and 31 October, 12 to 14 trucks, [REDACTED] were almost daily seen on Parkstrasse. At the same time about 12 driving school trucks were seen en route in the town. [REDACTED] the impression that the 25X1 25X1 students of the driving school were beginners. Between 25 and 31 October, about 150 to 200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets almost daily went from the Friedrich Franz Kaserne to the former high school for girls at about 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and vice versa at about 2:30 p.m. Source expressed the belief that the students were quartered in the Friedrich Franz Kaserne.<sup>1</sup>

11. On 1 November, the cantonment on Genth Strasse was occupied by a guard detail of about 15 soldiers. Sentries observed wore red-bordered black epaulets. The cantonment consisted of 5 or 6 one-story temporary buildings, which were surrounded by a barbed fence, about 1.7 meters high, and with 4 watchtowers at the corners. [REDACTED] troops from the 25X1 Fridericus Kaserne repeatedly went to the quarters of the guard detail and the depot which, source believed, was an ammunition depot.

SECRET

25X1

